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TOPIC Briesen Airfield

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1. By 14 March 1951, the Cottbus (N 52/A 57) Employment Office had to make available 200 men for construction work at Briesen (N 53/A 19) airfield. For this reason the Cottbus regional railroad headquarters was requested to allow the trains, used by the workers at the Briesen airfield to run as far as Cottbus. This request was complied with. *

2. On 24 March 1951, [redacted] night shifts had been instituted recently. [redacted] a total of 800 men were employed, but that this number would be increased as soon as the difficulties in supplying power could be overcome. At present, the power is obtained from generators. The dimensions of the runway and the new airfield boundaries were not available. [redacted] the runway would be about 3,000 meters long and 60 to 80 meters wide. *

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Comment. [redacted]

[redacted] the airfield is scheduled to be completed by 1 August 1951. From the progress of the construction observed, it appears doubtful that this target date can be kept.

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